

## **Don't Wait Another Minute!**

Life is what happens to you while your making big plans...

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Luke 13:5, "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Proverb 27:1, "Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."

No one ever expects to die an untimely death. Yet, we hear about such deaths every day in the news. Years ago, we were going fishing. There had been an accident It was Memorial day There were bodies lying on the street, they were motionless, their eyes were bulging from their sockets, their hands were frozen in the air... you knew they were dead. They had been ejected from their vehicles. It's not something you see every day, and something you hope you never see again. Death often comes quickly and without warning. Today could be your final day, or mine to leave the earth. Are you ready to meet God? Have your sins been forgiven by faith in Christ's death, burial and resurrection from the dead after three days? This is known as THE GOSPEL (1st Corinthians 15:1-4).

Hebrews 4:2, "For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, <u>not being mixed with faith in</u> them that heard it." ...

## OUR FAITH + THE GOSPEL = SALVATION

Recently I heard about the death of Jeff Newman, a teacher of the Pedal Steel Guitar. His granddaughter was taking pictures of him flying his new plane when something went horribly wrong and he crashed. He died an untimely death at 64. Jeff Newman professed to be a Christian. He never thought that morning when those wheels left the ground that it would be his last day alive on earth. Death is sudden. What matters is that you die in the Lord, and not in your sins as a Christ-rejecter. I'm glad Mr. Newman was saved.

Steve Erwin, the famous animal handler who had stuck his head into so many alligators mouths without injury, died one day while swimming in the ocean. A stingray's barb projected into his heart and killed him. He never saw another day. I'm sure Steve had all kinds of plans and ambitions, but God decided it was his time to go. Where is he now in eternity, I wonder?

Death comes suddenly friend. Those 2,752 people on 911 didn't know what hit them (no pun intended). People were jumping out of windows from 80-stories up to escape the raging inferno which was burning below. One firefighter was killed when

one jumper landed on him below in the street. How tragic! How sad! Those people had no idea when they woke up that morning that they would never see their pillow again. All of those people expected to live to see another day, but they didn't. 300 firefighters lost their lives. By all solid evidence, our own government's top leaders were involved in the 911-attacks. History has already proven this to be true; but <u>The Council On Foreign Relations</u> who controls the mainstream newsmedia continues to lie, deny evidence and hide the truth from the public.

Did you ever stop to realize just how many people die ever single day in this world. Think about it! You can use whatever population and life expectancy figures you want, but your still going to come out with a staggering result. I've done the math. 250,000 people die EVERY single day in this world on average. Even by using the most conservative figures, you might be able to lower that number to 150,000 people. Even still, that's a lot of people Dying! How many of those people do you think die unexpected deaths? Most? A Few? I believe most.

Surely, we all know that we must die someday. Life is predictably unpredictable. Have you ever heard of a person with cancer who was supposed to die within a year, but they lived twenty more years? Yes, we all have. Then there's the people who are as healthy as can be who die for no apparent reason. It happens every day. Sometimes people just die. God is the giver and taker of life. Hebrews 9:27 declares that we all have an appointment with death. Don't wait another minute friend! Death is just a heartbeat away... one bad decision... one miscalculation... one mistake... one accident... a crime... a heart attack... you may not live to get a second chance!

It's the craziest thing! People who will buy insurance for everything from their home to their car aren't concerned a bit about obtaining insurance against Hell. Hell is real folks! I know because the Bible says so! I know the Bible is true because it has stood the test of history. No one has ever disproved the Bible's claims. The Bible declared that the earth was round while men were still trying to prove it was flat. The Bible stated that the sun was the center of our solar system while men were trying to prove that the earth was the center. The Bible stated that the life of a human body was in the blood, while doctors were still killing people by cutting their wrists to let the blood out of their body. Man has always been stubborn to accept the truth. The Bible is accurate historically, archaeologically, scientifically and in every other way. Is there another Book that so clearly defines the wickedness of mankind? No!

You need insurance my friend and you can't afford to risk waiting another minute. The best part about insurance for eternal life is that it won't cost you a penny—it is FREE. Of course, you know as well as I do that there are NO free meals in this life. Salvation is free to you and me; but it came at an extremely high price to God. God sent His only begotten Son into this sin-cursed world to be beaten, ridiculed, spit upon, mocked, hated and crucified. God loves you and has paid the price with His own literal blood so you can go to Heaven (1st Peter 1:18,19). Salvation is a free gift, paid for in full by Jesus' precious blood. All you need to do is to accept the gift. You don't even have to reach out because Jesus is

already reaching out to you with eternal life. It's paid in full. All you have to do is receive it by faith in the gospel. Anyone can be saved by receiving the gospel as full-payment for their sins.

## "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." —Romans 10:13

## Jesus Is The Savior Of All Men

Jesus is already the Savior of ALL mankind. So says the Scriptures in 1st Timothy 4:10, "For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe." If a person dies in their sins without Christ, that is on them, because they wilfully rejected the Savior's free gift of eternal life. The Bible plainly teaches that Jesus is the Saviour of ALL MEN!!!

To be saved, you must come as a GUILTY sinner (Romans 3:19). You and I have horribly violated God's holy Law (James 2:10). The big issue is our own SIN. We are all sinners (Romans 3:10,23). As such, we deserve to be punished in Hellfire (Romans 6:23). Thankfully, Jesus paid the price for our sins to redeem us to Himself (Romans 5:8). You may receive God's gift of Eternal Life by simply believing that He is the Christ (the Savior) and trust upon His name for the forgiveness your sins... "To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins" (Acts 10:43). Jesus promises never to turn anyone away who comes to Him for salvation (John 6:37). The only ones who ever went away from Jesus empty-handed are those who came full of themselves (i.e., the self-righteous).

Go ahead, boast of your future plans, live it up, but your day is coming! Go ahead and keep going to all your parties, jamming in your music band, going places with your friends to enjoy life; while ignoring the Commandments of God's Word, while avoiding "the least of these" whom Jesus told us to reach out to help, while never doing anything for anyone except yourself. One day God is going to say, "Thou fool! Tonight thy soul shall be required of thee." If you are not saved, you are playing with the eternal damnation of your soul. I wouldn't wait another second to receive Jesus Christ (John 1:12).

Make sure that your soul is insured in Jesus' cleansing blood, that washes every believer's sins away, by faith in the gospel. Turning over a new leaf won't suffice. Getting dunked into a baptistry tank won't do it. Getting confirmed, pasteurized and homogenized won't help you my friend. YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN!!! (John 3:5-7). Religion cannot save you one *iota* (in the least). Religion wants to fit you with glasses, but the Lord wants to obey your eyes. And He certainly will if you'll start by acknowledging that you're a guilty sinner, and then turn to Jesus by faith to be forgiven of those sins for whom He bled and died and arose. Amen!!!

Salvation is not a prayer, nor is it joining a religion, nor is it an experience; but

rather, salvation is a supernatural miracle performed by an omnipotent God in response to our human faith in His Son, Jesus, the Christ. That's a good God!!! Jesus could return at any minute. In the parable of the ten virgins, five were ready; but the other five weren't (their oil lamps ran dry and went out, so they could not see their way to follow the Bridegroom when He came), and they were LEFT BEHIND. This is a parable about Heaven (Matthew 25:1-13), meaning that the five foolish virgins went to Hell forever to burn in torments and misery.

"All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."—John 6:37

You Need HIS Righteousness!

**How To Be Saved**